

and resembles examples of the same species in the grouping of the eyes; but in all other respects it is so widely divided from the typical *Epeira*, that it becomes necessary to separate it from the genus; and, as he knew of no other to which it can be relegated without equal objections, he had deemed it necessary to establish for it this new genus.

DREXELIA DIRECTA Hentz.

1847 *Epeira directa*, Hentz. Jour. B. S., Nat. Sci., V, Pl. 31, fig. 21; and U. S. p. 119, Pl. 13, fig. 21.

1847 *Epeira rubella* Hentz Ibid, fig. 22; Ibid, p. 120, fig. 22.

1889 *Epeira tetragathoides* Cambridge. Biolog. Cent. Am., Aran. p. 16, Pl. viii. figs. 9, 10.

1890 *Epeira deludens* Marx, in litt., Catalg. p. 544. (Keyserling Die Spinn. Am. IV, Epeir.)

1890 *Singa rubella* (Hlz.) Marx. Ibid, p. 547.

FEBRUARY 9.

The President, General ISAAC J. WISTAR, in the chair.

Forty-six persons present.

FEBRUARY 16.

The President, General ISAAC J. WISTAR, in the chair.

Thirty persons present.

Papers under the following titles were presented for publication:—

A new Pycnogonum from the West Coast of the United States.
By J. E. Ives.

Birds collected by the West Greenland Expedition of 1891.
By Witmer Stone.

Anatomy of West Indian Helices.—MR. H. A. PILSBRY stated that the genital system in the Helices belonging to the genus *Caracolus* is characterized by its simplicity, resembling the North American genus *Polygyra* in this respect. It differs from this last in several points, notably in the presence of a flagellum upon the penis; or, to speak more exactly, upon that slender continuation of the penis which gives rise to both the flagellum and the *vas deferens*. In *Caracolus rostratus* (Pl. VI, figs. C, D) the flagellum (fl.) is very short; the duct of the spermatheca being likewise short. The jaw (Pl. VI, fig. E) is stout, its central portion arching forward like a beak, with the suggestion of a median prominence to the cutting edge. It is completely devoid of ribs, although some other forms of *Caracolus* which are scarcely distinguishable specifically from this